GIFTED EDUCATION FOR AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENTS CONFERENCE

"Underrepresentation, Standards, Beliefs, and Expectations."

Key Note Speakers:

Dr. Harold G. Begay, Associate Superintendent, Tuba City Unified School District

Dr. Begay currently serves on the State Superintendent of Public Instruction Native American Advisory Council and the Governor's Working Group on Indian Education Issues. Dr. Begay was the recipient of the Arizona Association for Gifted and Talented "2003 Gifted Education Administrator of the Year" award. Dr. Begay will describe how classroom activities can increase a child's capacity to learn and how learning strategies can change neurological pathways to the brain.



John A. Stollar, Jr., Chief Educational Manager, The College Board, Western Regional Office. San Jose. California

Mr. Stollar was a high school principal for many years in Paradise Valley Unified School District, Paradise Valley, Arizona. One of Mr. Stollar's current initiatives is creating greater access to rigorous curriculum and Advanced Placement opportunities for American Indian students. The title of his presentation is "Opening the Door to Rigor: Advanced Placement is for Everyone".

Conference Logistics

Who Should Attend: School

administrators, teachers, counselors, gifted coordinators, Indian Education program staff, parents of students and others interested in this topic!

Location: Holiday Inn Select

4300 E. Washington Phoenix, AZ 85012

Parking: Please park in garage at the

Lodging:

For reservations please call (602)273-7778 and ask for the "Government Rate".

Registration:

Hurry! Registration is limited to 100. The cost of attendance at this conference will be \$40. Attendance confirmation will be on a "first come first serve" basis.

NOTE: You are registered once you have received a confirmation number from the online process.

Online registration: opens August 9, 2004. Registration will be processed exclusively online; the site will open August 9, 2004 - at www.ade.az.gov. Click on the "Calendar of Events" and follow the drop-down menu. If you can not access the website, we will process that for you, contact Frank Migali at (602)542-7463.

On-site registration will be accepted with a purchase order or advance payment.

Professional Development certificates will be given to all attendees.

Fax your Purchase Order no later than September 8, 2004, and mail check or money order to:

Arizona Department of Education Attention: Frank Migali Bin#21 1535 W. Jefferson St. Phoenix, AZ 85007



Tentative Conference Agenda

8:00-8:30	Continental Breakfast
8:30-9:00	Welcome, Introductions, Conference Overview, Juana Jose and Jeff Hipskind, Arizona Department of Education
9:00-10:00	Keynote, Dr. Harold G. Begay, "The Cultural and Neurological Correlates for Giftedness: Implications for New Directions in Cross-Cultural Gifted Education."
10:00-10:15	Break
10:15-11:00	Jeff Hipskind, "Increasing the Participation of American Indian Children in Gifted Education Programs: Outreach, Identification/Testing, Teacher Preparation, Program Models, Funding"
11:00-Noon	Roundtable Discussion: Gifted Education and Your LEA
Noon- 12:45	Lunch
12:45-1:15	Luncheon Speaker(s) will include gifted Indian high school or college students/parents addressing the benefits of a rigorous curriculum
1:15-1:30	Break
1:30-2:15	John A. Stollar Jr., Chief Educational Manager, The College Board Western Regional Office, "Opening the Door to Rigor: Advanced Placement is for Everyone"
2:15-3:00	Conference Summary, Action Plans, Evaluation
3:00	Adjourn